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Hongkong, 18th October, 1899.

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T. JACKSON, Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

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T. H. WHITEHEAD, Manager, Hongkong. llougkong, 20th May, 1898.

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PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

PLYMOUTH,&c. Japan .......G. K. Wright, R.N.R... 10 A.M., 18th Dec... Freight or Passage. LONDON......Socotra......T. H. Hide, R.N.R. .....About 28th Dec, ... Freight only. LONDON, &c... Coromandel \*.F. W. Vibert, R.N.R. ... Noon, 23rd Dec. ... Freight or Passage. \* (See Special Advertisement).

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Hongkong, 16th December, 1899.

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ON WEDNESDAY, the 27th day of December, 1809, at Noon, the Steamship "PRINZ HEINRICH," of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, Captain H. Supmer, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling at NAPLES

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The Steamer has splendid Accommdation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess. Linen can be washed on board.

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Hongkong, 13th December, 1899.



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THE PEAK HOTEL is situated at VICTORIA GAP, adjoining the TRAMWAY TERMINUS, 1,350 feet above sea Level. CRAIGIEBURN is situated at PLUNKETT'S GAP, five minutes walk from the PEAK

Fine Healthy location, variety of beautiful scenery. Cool Southerly breezes in Summer with perfect protection against the North East Winds in Winter. Well appointed rooms, attentive service and excellent Cuisine.

CHY OFFICE, 7, Duddell Street. Hongkong, 31st October, 1899. A. MOIR, Manager.

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Hongkong, 6th December, 1899.

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FIRST-CLASS HOTEL Centrally situated, well furnished and supplied with excellent Cuisine and Good Wines.

The Company's Steam-launch attends the arrival and departure of all

Special attention paid to the Comfort of Visitors.

Yokohama, 1st October, 1897.

REGATTA HOLIDAYS.

THE Undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public. Business, "on TUESDAY and WEDNES-DAY, the 19th and 20th instant, at 11.45 A.M. respectively.

For the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA. T. H. WHITEHEAD, Manager, Hongkong.

For the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking CORPORATION. r. Jackson, Chief Manager. For the NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA.

G. W. F. PLAYFAIR Chief Manager. For the MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA,

JOHN THURBURN, Manager, Hongkong. For the BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE, Hongkong Agency,

L. BERINDOAGUE, Acting Manager. For the BANK OF CHINA & JAPAN, LIMITED,

CHANTREY INCHBALD Manager. For the YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED, S. CHOH,

For the IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA. E. W. RUTTER. Acting Manager. Hongkong, 14th December, 1899. [1550a]

VICTORIA REGATTA.

TUESDAY, the 19th and WEDNESDAY. the 20th December.

APTAIN AMESBURY having kindly lont the Victoria Recreation Club the American Barque Adolph Corig as Flagship, the Committee request the pleasure of the Comthe occasion of the ANNUAL REGATTA

Through the courtesy of the Chief Manager. of the DOCK COMPANY, the Fame will convey passengers to the Flagship each day, leaving the New Pedder's Whark at 12.30 p.m. and 1 p.m., and returning 10 minutes after the last

The Ladies' Prize will be presented on board the Flagship by Miss PowerL on TUESDAY. Admission to the Flagship, \$1 each day.

A Portion of the Flagship will be reserved for Ladies and their Friends. TICKETS of Admission may be obtained from the STEWARD, Victoria Recreation Club, or on Board.

By kind permission of Lieut-Colonel RETALLICK and the Officers, the BAND of the Hongkong Regiment will perform each day. W. MACHELL, . Hon. Secretary.

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB. Hongkong, 15th December, 1899. [1559a NOTICE.

DURSUANT to Section 23 of Ordinance No. 3 of 1871, I, the Undersigned Augusto Jose Maria Gomes whose place of Residence and Service for the last preceding 12 months have been at No. 70, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, and who was lately under Articles of Clerkship to Mr. CHARLES DAVID WILKINSON of No. 70, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, aforesaid Solicitor, hereby give Notice that it is my intention to apply on the 12th day of January, 1900 for my Examination, Admission and Enrolment as an ATTORNEY and PROCTOR of the Supreme Court of Hongkong.

Dated this rath day of December, 1899. A. J. M. GOMES GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY,

LIMITED. PORTLAND CEMENT.

\$5 per Cask of 375 lbs. Net ex Godown, SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.

General Manager Hongkong, 11th December, 1899. [1534a NOTICE.

ICHT SCHOOL for EUROPEANS, by an EX-SCHOOLMASTER. Terms moderate, for Particulars apply

co This Office. Hongkong, 18th August, 1899.

CONCERT

AT ST. ANDREW'S HALL, CITY HALL. (SATURDAY), the 16th December, 1899, at 9.20 P.M.

IN AID OF "THE KOWLOON INSTITUTE" "THE STAR COFFEE HOUSE."

1.—Song "The Gallant Salamander" Barnard. Mr. A. Barrett, H.K.R. 2 .- Song ... "Ask nothing more " ......

PRGRAMME.

Mrs. Vallings. 3.-Song ....... "Madrigal" ....... Crompton. Mr. A. Fleet.

4.—Song.. "The Jewel Song" (Faust).: Counod Madame Sculfort. Song..." The Bedouin Love Song". Pinsuti Mr. C. H. Grace.

f(I) "Sonatina" ..... Weber. Mr. C. Schroter and Mr. H. A. Siebs. . Piano Maestro Galuzzi.

-Song..." Love could I only tell thee " ...... Mr. G. H. Ardron. 8,-Song..... "The Swallows"... F. H. Coiven. Mrs. Badeley.

"Occhi de Fata" ..... L. Denza.

Mr. R. De Calo. to.—Song ........ Say Yes "... Guy d'Haiddot. Mrs. W. W. Campbell. 11.-Duct....... " Hamlet " ..... A. Thomas, Madame Sculfort and R. De Cato. in.—Recitation

The Hon. H. E. Pollock.

TICKETS may be obtained from the Compradore at the City Hall, between 10 AM. and

FRONT SEATS (Reserved) Two Dollars. BACK SEATS One Dollar,

Hongkong, 16th December, 1899. [15510] CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS. F N accordance with the Provisions of Ordin-

ance No. 6 of 1875, the Undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business, on SATURDAY, MON-DAY and TUESDAY, the 23rd, 25th and 26th instant, and on MONDAY, the 1st January, 1900, respectively. For the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA,

T. H. WHITEHEAD, Manager, Hongkong. For the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking CORPORATION.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager. For the NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, .G. W. F. PLAYFAIR, Chief Manager.

For the MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, JOHN THURBURN, Manager, Hongkong. For the BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE,

Hongkong Agency, L. BERINDOAGUE, Acting Manager. For the Bank of China & Japan, Limited, Hongkong,

CHANTREY INCHBALD, Manager. For the YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED, S. CHOIL

Agent. For the IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA, E. W. RUTTER, Acting Manager

Hongkong, 16th December, 1899. THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE

CERTIFICATES for New Issue of SHARES are now ready and can be obtained at the COMPANY, No. 4, Queen's Buildings, in exchange for BANKER'S RECEIPTS. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,

Hongkong, 16th December, 1899. JAPANESE CURIOS

JUST RECEIVED.

Plenty of TOYS AND FANCY GOODS.

MODERATE PRICES. D. NOMA. No. 12, Beaconsfield Arcade, Opposite the City Hall. Hongkong, 16th December, 1899. [1382a DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW THE Company's Steamship

LIMITED.

THALES! Captain Passmore, will be despatched for the above Ports, on TUESDAY, the 19th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, 16th December, 1899.

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAM SHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from · Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel

will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense. . J. S. VAN BUREN,

Hougkong, 16th December, 1899. INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship "SUISANG," having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside. Cargo impeding the discharge or maining

on board after Noon, the 20th instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into Godowns at East Point No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by -JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

General Managers. Hongkong, 16th December, 1899.

# Co day's Advertisement.

IN THE MATTER OF ORDINANCE NO. 2 OF

THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF EMIL THEODOR BUNJE OF VIC-TORIA IN THE COLONY OF HONGKONS FOR LETTERS PATENT FOR EXCLUSIVE USE WITHIN THE SAI COLONY OF HONGKONG OF AN INVEN TION FOR NEW OR IMPROVED MOORING OR GROUND TACKLE FOR BUOYS FOR WHICH HER MAJESTY'S LETTERS PATENT WERE ON THE 2ND DAY OF MAY, 1899, GRANTED TO THE SAID EMIL THEODOR BUNJE.

OTICE is hereby given that the PETI N TION, SPECIFICATION and DE-CLARATION, required by the above cited and good order of the New Territory ORDINANCE, have been duly filed in the Office of the Colonial Secretary of Hongkong and that it is the Intention of the said EMI THEODOR BUNJE to apply at the sitting of the Executive Council, hereinafter mentione for LETTERS PATENCE, for the Exclusive use within the said Colony of Hongkong, of the above named Invention. And Notice is hereby also given that a Sitting of the Executive Council before whom the matter of the said RETITION will come for decision will be held in the Council Chamber at the GOVERN-MENT OFFICES, Victoria, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 26th day of December, 1890,

H. LI A. 81. Dated the 16th day of December, 1899. DEACON AND HASTINGS, Solicitors for the said EMIL THEODOR BUNJE.

# Intimation.

W. SEELE SEELE WATSON & Co., LIMITED.

IMPORTERS OF HIGH-CLASS -

B.--Superior Pale Dry, dinner wine. Green' Scal Capsule - - -- £5.÷-- Manzanilla, NATURAL SHERRY. White' Capsule - - - - - 12.00 of the fishermen are not questioned MCC. Superior Old Day,

PALE NATURAL SHERRY, Red Seal Capsule - :- - -Des Very Superior Old PALE DRY, choice old wine, White Seal Capsule -

E.— Extry Superior Old Pale Dry, very finest quality, Black Seal Capsule (Old

B. C. and CC are excellent dinner Wines and suitable for invalids and delicate stomachs. D and E are after-dinner Wines of a very superior viutage. All are true Xeres Wines, distinctly evasive. Any one reading it in

Sample bottles and smaller quantities will be supplied at proportionate wholesale rates.

We only guarantee our Wines and Spirits to be genuine when bought direct from us in the Colony or from our authorised Agents at the Coast Ports.

> A. S. WATSON & CO... LIMITED. OLEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

# the Hongkong Welegraph

Hongkong, Saturday, December 16, 1892.

# NOTES AND COMMENTS.

We publish in another column a copy of a letter addressed by the fishermen of Ping Chau to the Honourable Member for the Chamber of Commerce, calling his attention to, and asking for his assistance in respect of their grievance against the Government. We called the attention of the public to the, matter in our columns a few days since and Mr. WHITEHEAD put a question to the Colonial Secretary on the subject at the last sitting of the Legislative Council. M LOCKHART's reply was as follows, and we are sorry to say that we do not consider it either sufficient or satisfactory. It is like the answers to most of the questions asked by the Honorable Member in the Legislative Council, extremely meagre and as evasive of the point of the question as it is conveniently possible to make it.

Q. "With reference to the leading article in the Hongkong Telegraph of 11th inst. will The Hon: The Colonial Secretary inform the Council whether the Government have granted any exclusive privilege or monopoly for the dredging for and the collection of shells, used in the manufacture of lime, in the waters of the New Territory leased by the Convention of last year; if so, why were public tenders not invited? Under what authority or power has the mono-poly been conceded? To whom, and for what

consideration?" A. " No such exclusive privilege or monopoly as is referred to, in the question of the Honour able Member has been granted."

"A Crown Rent has been fixed for a limited subject to existing rights. The Government extent of Crown Land surrounding Ping Chan off the East coast of Lantao, used by the manufacturers of June on Ping Chau, and leases for in waters, in which the fishermen on P short terms, granted to them at Crown Rents amounting to \$1,300 per annum, under the general instructions of the Secretary of State." We have, since the meeting of the Council [1562a] endeavoured to ascertain the actual facts of been deprived of this right. They

HART'S reply 15 1 mccurate and misleading

! Defore going into the facts and considering! their meaning and effect, we would like Government has blundered and to answer the question some of our readers? may feel inclined to put to us and to explain why we are interesting ourselves. in the matter, and why we make it the subject of discussion in the public Press. Some people may be of opinion that it is an affair which exclusively concerns the parties interested and which is more properly a sithject for a law suit than for a leading article. Our justification for inviting our readers to consider it with us is the public good. Din' volves a general question of our treatment of the Chinese, especially in the New Territory. It is a question affecting the peace and of the policy and impolicy of our methods of dealing with them. It is a question too, affecting the rights of poor men, who have not the means of entering into litigation with the Government or the influence to make their complaint to the Colonial Office with any chance of success. There is absolutely no way of influencing the local government, except by the operation of

public opinion. The members of the official class here, can only be got at through the Press, and the only one thing they dislike, is publicity. If the Executive Council sat in public and transacted their business under the eyes of the reporters, the responsible officers of the Government, would be very much more careful than they are.

Now for the facts-In the first place we were mistaken in saving-that-the island of island of that name in Mirs-Bay and a second just beyond Deep Ray, but it seems there is a third, off the east end of Lantao and almost due west of Cow-e-Chow. That is the one affected. The fishermen claim they have, for at least fifty years past, exercised unquestioned, the right to dredge for shells in the surrounding waters, that they sell the shell Linustered only 160. to the liftie burness, and that they make their living, or part of it, by so doing, paying no rent or tax to any one for the privilege.

They complain that the Government of Hongkong have granted to one firm, the LEE HING, the exclusive right to dredge for shells in these waters and that they - \$10.80 are warned off the ground or obliged to pay to the LEE HING a fee of one candareen for every two baskets, and their livelihood is seriously affected. These statements The Government admits that it has leased to certain persons "a limited extent of Crown Land surrounding Ping Chau" for short terms at! Crown rents amounting to \$1,300 per annum. If it has, it has in effect, by whatever name it may think fit to call the Moderate E. winds; fair. instrument, granted an exclusive right to the lessees, to use the area so granted for the purpose mentioned in the instrument, and has in fact authorised them exclude all others from the ground, and has in fact of Ned Lockhandly reply is not in accordance with the truth. An exclusive privilege has been granted and a monopoly has in fact been created, in favour of the LEE HING and whether in point of form it is a lease, or a grant, or a mere licence. The second part of Mr. Fockhart's reply is as connection with Mr. WHITEHEAD'S question would-dindeistand that no right or privile has been granted, over the waters surrounding Ping Chau, but only over a limited portion of Land, Crown Eand, surrounding the island. Judging from the boundaies described in the Chinese notice publishedby the LEE HING Company, the lease or rivilege or monopoly is not confined as ay one reading the reply would suppose, to he rocks and foreshore immediately surrouding Ping Chau, but extends over the watrs between Ping Chau and the big islandon Lautao, south to the island of Chea King Min and north and east for some consider able distance, and covers about ten squre miles of water. If it is the lease of Cren Land, it is the land under the sea, hid covered with water, and it is not Crown Ind at all, in the ordinary sense of the wid. The Crown has only a lease of it from he Chinese Government, has only the ise of it, and has got such lease subject to esting rights and tenancies. If, Lautao ad the adjoining island had been ceded tobe Queen, in all sovereignity, it is more tin doubtful if the Crown could itself exerse any exclusive right to dredge for shelin these waters, to the exclusion of the gent public, much Jess grant any such exclure right to another. We have been in polssion, in full sovereignty, for, nearly a years, of the waters surrounding the island Hongkong, and no such claim has been it forward, and no such right ever exercisedy any Governor of Hongkong. All the well has been free to dredge for shells below water-mark, as all the world has been free fish without leave or licence. There decisions that there is a general

to reap the harvest of the waters

but the opinion of every writer on

subject, is in favour of its existence.

the shape of fish. There is no form

decision as to the right to dredge for she

exists—and it does exist—no grant, no lea

no privilege, can be given by the Gove

To conclude:-it is very doubtful i

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mark can be granted at all except with

view to reclamation and it can only to

effect, as such a lease, after reclamatiq

While the sea is over it, the right to to

fish and to dredge for shell, is co

mon. It is certain that whatever may

the position in our own waters, no st

rights exist, in the waters leased from

Chinese Government, which are taken of

has granted exclusive privileges, to the

Hing Company, and in effect a monope

Chau island, have for years exercised

privilege of dredging for shell, untax

and subject to no rent. They

LECEMBER 16, 1800. the case mid we are satisfied that Mr. Lock-I billised in their means of carning a living They are made subject to a tak, to be imposed at the will of the

lessees, uncontrolled by the Government. much too proud to nacknowledge blunder and undo the unintentional injustice if has been guilty of. We give it cradit for having acted in ignorance. The effect of the act, will certainly be, to implant in the breasts of the fishermen, a very strong feeling that they have been unjustly treated, and probably will lead to acts of violence, il no redress is given. This latter is the reeognised method of opposition to government among the Chinese.

# REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

THE WAR.

Boer Losses at Modder River.

London, December 14th. Boer prisoners state that their losses at Modder River on the 11th were terrible and that several Corps were completely wiped out The Boers are most kind to our wounded.

LATER.

The War. Losses at the Modder River.

The killed, wounded, and missing at the Modder River fight, amount to \$17, of which about 650 were from the Highland Brigades The following officers were killed. General Wanchope, Col. Coode, Capt. Elton and Lieut. Edmonds of the Black Watch; Capt. Clarke, and Lieuts. Cox and Cowie of the Scaforths; Capts. Cowan and Lambton of Ping Chau was in Mirs Bay. There is an the Highland Infantry; Col. Goff and Major Robinson of the Argylls'; Capt, Wingate of the Gordons; Marquis Winchester of the Coldstreams; Majors Milton and Ray of the Mounted Infantry, besides 48 wounded, five missing and one taken prisoner. After the Highland Brigade fell back, the Black Watch

### Re-inforcements.

The Standard is informed that it has been decided to prepare for the mobilization of the seventh division with the eighth in reserve.

# WEATHERDREPORT.

The Observatory report says;—

On the 16th at 11.55 a.m. the barometer has fallen on the E. coast of China, and risen in Japan. Pressure is highest over Japan, and a low pressure area seems to be advancing Eastwards over N. China: Gradients slight, with variable winds on the coast and moderate monsoon in the N. part of the China Sea. FORECAST:-

# **EBGAL AND GENERAL.**

WE have received from Messrs, Lane, Crawford & Co. a very tastefully appointed blotting book The Recellancy the Governor through the Ho-bearing their monogram. The book a second of the Registrar General but we have for a souvenir of their Jubilee year, they dating their establishment back to the year 1850. In addition to its general utility the book contains a very useful calendar for 1900.

A FAREWELL smoking concert was given at the Junior Non-commissioned Officers' room Wellington Barracks, last night, to Lce. Cpl. Spillard, R.E., who is proceeding by the French mail to Chatham, to go on probation as Military Mechanist Engine Driver, with the rank of Company Sergeant-Major. Corporal Spillard was presented with a very fine briarroot pipe and tobacco pouch by his brother junior non-coms. A very pleasant evening was spent and much enthusiasm displayed when the latest war news was given out by Sergeant Bowery,

This morning at the Magistracy, before Mr. Gompertz, J. E. Haineswaith, a British seaman, employed on board the P. & O. steamer Romhay was fined \$10 for disorderly conditerencessisting in going on the bridge with his hands in his pockets and not removing them, when ordered to do so by the chief officer, named William Alexander Anderson during the evidence Samuel Wood said that defendant when told that he was wanted on the bridge made use of the expresson "What the h-I is the matter now " Mr. Gompertz said these constituted disorderly conduct and imposed the above fine. - 🕟

THE owner of 28 Wing Shing Street was charged by Dr. Clark with not complying with a notice from the Sanitary Board to reconstruct the building to allow for light and ventilation. Dr. Clark asked that an order be made requiring the ground and first floors to be closed, they being unfit for human habitation. The order was granted.

Inspector Brett brought charges against the owners of the houses Nos. 33, 39, and 43 Second Street, for not complying with a notice from the Sanitary Board to repair down-pipes--A fine of \$10 was imposed in each case. As

Charges were also brought against the owners of houses Nes. 4, 6, 22, 30, and 19 Wing Kat-Street, by the same Inspector, for not complying with a notice from the Sanitary Board to clear certain obstructions to their backyards, to wi railings over backyards-+Mr. Braine appeared for the defence, and gave an assurance that the railings should be removed, upon which the ment, in derogation of common right Sanitary Board withdrew the cases.

GOVERNMENT NOTHICATION. On and after the 1st day of January, 1900, the postage on Parcels posted in the Colony to the United Kingdom will be as follows:-

. For a parcel not exceeding 3 lbs. in . weight, .....50 cents. For a porcel over 3 lbs., but not

exceeding 7 lbs. in weight, ...... \$1.00. For a parcel over 7 lbs., but not exceeding 11 lbs. in weight, ...... \$1.50. WM. C. H. HASTINGS, Postmaster General.

Dentist. 2nd Floor Thomas Grill Room. Hongkong, 14th Décember, 1899.

THE SHELL MONOPOLY.

In connection with the question asked on Thursday last, in the Legislative Council, by the Hon. T. H. Whitehead concerning the shell gathering monopoly, we have received a copy of the following very interesting and instructive correspondence:-

Hongkong, 13th December, 1899. Dear Sir, -For the information of His Excellency the Governor I beg to enclose horein a copy of a letter of yesterday's date received by me from certain Fishermen in connection with the alleged permission granted by the Government to a firm named the Lee Hing Company to collect shells for the term of five years in and around Ping Chau-Island, and a copy of the translation of a Notice said to have been posted up on the Island by the said

Yours truly, (Signed) T. H. WHITEHEAD. The Honourable J. H. Stewart Lockhart, C.M.G., Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office. Hongkong, December 15th, 1899. Sir,--- l' am directed to, acknowledge, the receipt of your letter of the 13th instant, enclosing a copy of a letter received by you from certain fishermen in connection with the collec-

tion of shells at the Island of Ping-Chau! The statement in the 8th, paragraph of that letter, that no answer was given to the Petition of the fishermen, is untrue. have, etc.,

(Sd.) J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, Colonial Secretary. The Honourable T. H. Whitehead.

Hongkong, 13th December, 1899. To The Honourable T. H. Whitehead, Member of the Legislative Council of Hongkong, &c, &c., &c., Present.

most respectfully to bring to your notice the following facts and circumstances in connection. with the dredging and collecting of shells Monopoly. We sincerely hope that you will be good enough as a Member of the Legislative Council of this Colony to move the Government on the subject at the next meeting of the Legislative Council and ask the Government to cancel and abolish the alleged Monopoly,

2. That we have been dredging and collecting shells in the waters of the Island of 'Ping-Chau and its vicinity for a great number of years before the said Island was leased by the Emperor of China to Great Britain,

3. That we have paid no taxes or duties to the Chinese Government for collecting the shells in the waters of the aforesaid Island and in the vicinity thereof. 4. That we have solely been entirely depen-

dent for our living and the support of our families by dredging and collecting the shells. 5. As usual we recently went out to dredge and collect shells at the place before mentioned but we were stopped from doing so by some

people of the Ping-Chau Island. 6. The people who stopped our dredging operations are the employees of the alleged Monopoly. The name of the alleged Monopoly is Lee Hing Company. These employees informed us that the aforesaid Company has the exclusive rights and privileges for collecting the shells and unless we pay them, or, to the said Lee Hing Company a sum of one candarden per picul for the same they would selze and confiscate our junks and they will also arrest and put us in prison,

7. On being informed of this we forthwith petitioned the Government on the subject and asked for the abolition and cancellation of the alleged Monopoly."

received no satisfactory results nor answer on

9. We therefore most humbly beg you to lay these facts before His Excellency the Governor at the next meeting of the Legislative Council and move for the concellation and abolition of the alleged Monopoly in question in order that we may resume our usual avocation without being interfered with by the employees or ? members of the said Lee Hing Company.

10. In the event of His Excellency the Governor refusing to abolish or cancel the alleged Monopoly we beg His Excellency to entertain our proposals as follows :--

(A) To put up the said Monopoly for sale by public tender.

(B) If there is no existing law to put up for sale by public tender then we beg you to urge upon the Government to cancel the alleged Monopoly of the Lee Hing Company so that we may resume our usual dredging operations in the place\_in question.

11. We beg to enclose herewith a plan and translation of a notice posted up at Ping-Chau Island by the Lee Hing Company showing the boundary lines &c. Nobody is allowed to

collect shells within the specified boundary. 12. In conclusion we beg you to pardon, us for approaching you on the subject and we sincerely hope that you will on our behalf move the matter in question as it is of vital importance to our interests and to the future prospect and maintenance of our families and by your doing so we shall feel extremely grateful. We have the honour to be, Sir,

Your most obedient servant, (Signed) .CHEONG FONG CHOW. CHEONG SHUET. YOW SHIU CHEE, LEE YUEN. Agents for and owners of Boats.

Translation of Notice posted up at Pingchau Island by the Lee Hing Company. Lai Po and Loung Lai Tong of the Lee Hing Company, Merchants, have obtained permission from the Government to collect shells, for the term of 5 years.

The boundaries are as follows:-The Northern Boundary-From the North of l'ingchau-a straight line running up to the chimney of the Hunghom Glass works,

The Southern Boundary-Chea Kung Mun. The Eastern Boundary-A straight line from the North East corner of Ma Wan. The Western Boundary-Tai U Shan:

Nanes of the Fishing junks :- Than Hing; Tai Hing, Shin We, Tang Wo, Tai Lee, Pan Wo, San Tak Shing, San Yau Lee, and San Hing.

### FOOTBALL. SHIELD COMPETITION,

"D." Co., R. W. F. v. " IL" Co., R. W. F. This was a rather one sided match played on the Club ground at the Happy Valley yesterday afternoon. His Excellency the Governor honored the game with his presence. A fair quota of spectators were present, including several officers of the Royal Welsh Fusiliers.

It is a pity that when a team enters for a trouble to place a decent team in the field, passed without any salient feature and business; From what one heard on the field, it appears transacted has been small and limited. The that "D." Co. picked their men up from "the, Private Meeting of Shareholders of the Punjom highways and ditches." They decidedly were a Mining Company, Limited, convened for the most nondescript lot judging from their play 13th instant, did not take place. The Raubone or two had hardly, if ever, played before. Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited, We especially noticed a gentleman in a has declared a dividend of one shilling perred and while shirt, who reconcil to exert share payable on the shirt, who reconcil to exert share payable on the shirt, who reconcil to exert share payable on the shirt, who reconcil to himself to a great extent to get out of the transfer books will be closed from the 7th to

redeeming part of the "D." Co. team, was, the goal-keeper who had heaps to do, saving brilliantly at times. That, such an important match as this one was, should be such a fiasco is a pity and certainly will not encourage people to go down to the Happy Valley. Nothing much can be said about the play, except that "If." Co. were always where they were wanted and "D." Co. were not: "D." Co. succeded in scoring 2 goals, by flukes; the gentleman in the red and white succeeded in getting one, but then he could not help it. "H." Co, has the making of a good team and it is unfair to judge their play by yesterday's match. At the blow of the whistle at half time the score was :--

". H. Co. 3 to "D." Co. 1. And at the finish "H." Co. 8 to "D." Co. 2. The teams lined up as follows :---

> Whitney. Lincks. Edwards, & Spurt.

> > Balsdon.

Povey. Dewhurst, Parry, Shields. Forwards. Parry. Shephard. Owens. Eynott, Waller.

Forwards:

Walter. Sweet.

Half Backs. Morris, Constance. Owens.

Referee Mr. Brown. COMMENTS:

The Club played two stiff matches fast week and came out victorious, in one but were Sir, -t. We the undersigned Fishermen beg beaten in the other. The match on Saturday against the Engineers was a very good game and the superiority of the Club forwards enabled them to win the match by one goal to nothing. Although, as we have said, the Club forwards were superior to their opponents yet this superiority only manifested itself in midfield where there combination was very good and they played well together, the old faults of indecision and weakness in front of goal were still in evidence throughout the match and the result, was that only one goal

The Engineers forwards played a very loose game and were evidently unaccustomed to one. anothers play, there is not doubt that one or two of them were not really forwards at all and would have been much more at home in the ranks of the defence and the team is unfortunate in not having those players at its command so that the members can all play in the places which suit them.

The backs played very well especially considering that one or two of them have only been able to play half a dozen times in the last two seasons.

The goal-keeper was in capital form and saved one or two very hot shots, nor can he be blamed for the goal which was scored. All the Club team played well, the disorganized nature of their opponents; attack giving the defence plenty of opportunities of distinguishing themselves,-

The match on Monday against the R.W.F. was a rather curious one and presented a not uncommon feature in a match where one of the teams is a military one. During the first half it may almost be said the Club had it all their own way and scored a goals to nothing. The -soldiers played without combination and, to a certain extent, without interest. After half time a great change came over the game. The soldiers scored a goal and at once woke up and played with a spirit and determination which was as successful as their former play was indifferent.

The result was that the Club suddenly found that instead of having their opponents well in hand and victory a sured, they had to devote all their energies to saving the match against a team who were running through them in a most dangerous manner. As is almost invariably the case when this state of things happens the Club, to a certain extent fell to pieces and before they knew, where they were three more goals had been scored against them and the match was lost. The defence, although working all they knew, got'a little flurried and disorganized and were unable to resist the determined on-slaught which was made on their goal. There is no doubt that the fact of 3 or 4 men being more or less hors de combat rendered the soldiers task easier, but the probability is that the soldiers, would have drawn the matchanyway. The great feature of the soldiers play in the second half was individual dash on the part of two or three men.

There was no particular combination but one or two forwards got into their stride and therewas no stopping them.

There was a good deal of jumping going on on the part of the soldiers and to this fact some. of the Glub's injuries are to be traced, it was regrettable and should have been stopped by the Referee but, notwithstanding, the Fusiliers fully deserved their success and we heartily congratulate them upon it.

The Club's A team had their first reverse on. Wednesday at the hands of the Barfleur and this should spur them on to further efforts.

Last week we referred to a misunderstanding which prevailed amongst players in regard to charging in the back. This week we would call attention to the question of "jumping." The only time a player can legitimately execute a jump is when attempting to head the ball. Any other sort of jumping is illegal and dangerous and should at once be put a stop to; particularly that description of jumping which takes place when a player is making a rush at an adversary and ends up with a great jump at the end without caring whether he lands on the ground or on his opponent.

COMING EVENTS. On Monday afternoon, on the Happy Valley, the Hongkong Football Club will play the Officers of the Navy. Kick-off at a quarter past

On Wednesday, the Hongkong Football Club (A) will play H.M.S. Orlando, Kick-off at halfpast four.

On Thursday, the usual Rugby game will be On Friday, the Engineers Institute will play

"F" Company, R.W.F., on their ground at Causeway Bay. (Shield Tie). On Saturday, the V. R. C. will play "G" Company, R.W.F. (Shield Tie)

# HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

Honokong, Friday, December 15th. Messrs. Benjamin, Kelly and Potts, in their weekly shure report, state

With the exception of a sleady demand for Hongkong Lands and Hongkong Hotels and a Challenge Competition, it does not take the rise-in Douglas Steamships, the week has

way of the ball. When he did get it he theut the proxime, both days inclusive. At the never kept it always kicking it away same time it call of one shilling per share on all blindly, altogether the whole thing was a contributing shares has been made and the [1549a | buffoonery, if there is such a word. The only dividend referred to above will be appropriated

The Hongkong High Level Tramways Company, Limited, has advertised its Filleenth Ordinary General Meeting for the 28th Fecember. The transfer books will be closel from the 16th to 28th instant, inclusive. Banks,slightly and are obtainable at 348 per cent. promium. The London quatation is Lon--Hengkong Fires have their done to's small. extent at \$327 1. China Fires are wanted at \$88. Shipping .- Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats have been placed in small-lots at \$31. Indo Chinas are quet and are in the small sales at \$48 have then to \$53 buyers. Refineries .- China Sugars lave been done to a fair extent at \$121. Mining.-Punjours after sales at \$7 and \$71 have beel negotiated and are now enquired for at 871. The preference shares have been sold at \$1.20 Charbonnages are in demand and can probably be placed at felebus have been fixed at \$122 and The following telegim has been received from the Mines - " Permanent crushing (with present water supply) started this morning (6th instant); everything very satisfactory; all machinery working well."
Raubs have changed hands in 12 and are steady at the tate. 'Olivers' B. have been bought at 861 and are wanted. Docks, Wharves and Godowns, -Hongkong Lad Whampoa Docks are obtained obtainable at 525 per cent. premium. Kowloon What shares have been dealt in at \$84 and \$35. Lands, Hotels and Building .-- Hongkong lands have been done Sitz and usiderable extent at Sitt, Bill. West Points have again tome into notice and

have been placed at rates up to \$33. Honkong Horels have been booked at 1118 and \$110, and close with buyers. Humplingys' Estate have lacen sold at \$91. China Providents are in request at \$9.30. Cotton Mills .-Quotations are taken from the latest Shanghai Circulars. There is no local business to report Miscellancous. - Green Island Cements have been sold at \$26} and \$265. Ropes are firmand can be placed at \$210. Ices are enquired for at \$125. Tramways have been done at

SOUTH AFRICAN WAR.

"SAILORS AND SOLDIERS FAMILIES' FUND."

The Undersigned begs to acknowledge with thanks receipt of the following subcriptions to the above Fund.

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# A LITTLE BRIEF AUTHORITY.

If Shakespeare and had the misfortune to live in Japan to-day, and to be brought in con-, tact with Yokohama harbour officials, he might his in which he speaks of certain persons dressased in a little brief authority—and in the case of the harbour officials, a good deal of gold lace-"who, most ignorant of what they are most assured, like an angry ape, play such fantastic in, but their bullets fell short. tricks before high heaven, as make the angles boarded her and ascended to the bridge where Capt. Rinder was stationed. The steamer's engines had already been stoped, but the vessel The official, however, did not know enough to

phy, and roared at the Captain ; "Stop her! God d-you! Stop her!" was about to the into the order in summary himself was shot dead at fast that his room was preferable to his glad tidings that the attacking infantry battalions.

On arrival Cipt. Rinder accompanied by the This is how the brave old Indian fighter met agent, called at the Hathour Office and required his death.

by the Company in payment of such call, an apply, which we understand was refus d on the ground that the official whose conduct was so reprehensible, had been assaulted! A promise was nevertheless given that such an incident would not occur again.

We certifinly hope not There are few Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have leacted Captains, we imagine, in any foreign service, whywould submit quietly to a gross insult of this and it speaks volumes for Capt. Nationals are quieter and are offering at \$29. Rinder admirable self-control that he did not Marine Insurances.—We have heard of no sales yield to having impulse and pur the intruder Rinder admirable self-control that he did not of stocks under this heading. Fire Insurances, off the bridg himself. It is time the harbour underlings real ed that although certain functions are vested belien, they are not licensed to misconduct their class, and that though it is incumbent on Captins to comply with the regulations of the Port, is equally incumbent market at \$82. Douglas Steamships after on Port officials to dischare their duties in a proper manner. It is also to duty of the Har-bour-Master to see that this done:—Japan Daily Herald.

### AN ADVISER FOR KORZA

There is a rumour, circumstantially frathat the Korean Government is desirous of engaging the services of Mr. Mollendorff in the Superintendent, British India Steam Navigation capacity of adviser. Some of our readers have perhaps forgotten Mr. Mollendorff, and their meaning will not be improved by learning that he is now Commissioner of Customs at Ringpo: Fourfeen years ago, however, he was a very prominent figure In Ear Eastern politics. Having been appointed advisce vethe Korean Government after the conclusion of the Li-Ito Convention in 1885, he immediately advocated the policy of Korean independence, pushing his views with a thoroughness that left nothing to be desired, and at the. same time adopting Korean costume and adapting immeet completely to the methods of Korean life. He is undoubtedly a man of much ability and vigour, but it can not be said that this manner of promoting his policy was calculated to maintain tranquillity in the East. He was generally credited with pro-Russian views, but we were always disposed to question the truth of that rumour. The hames of Mr. McLeavy Brown and Mr. Oicsen are connected by report with the project of Mr. Mollendorff's re-engagement, but, whether they advocate it, or whether the Emperor of Korea desires it, or whether the whole story is based on an attempt made by Mr. Mollendorff himself to recover the post, we are unable to ascertain. -- Japan Mail. .

# RUSSIA'S RESTRAINT.

HER FINANCIAL CONDITION KEEPS HER QUIET.

The prolonged stay of Count Muraviest in Paris has been, by the Press at St. Petersburg they would be allowed to take part. In reply connected with possible conjoint action of France and Russia against England, and a combined demonstration of the French and Russian fleets is spoken of as being in nreparation.

One need not be a deep student of Russian politics to come to the conclusion that this news is untrustworthy, for in this connection one has only to consider two things--Russia's interests in South Africa and Russia's internal financial condition. Eurther, according to the Russo-French alliance, all matters of colonial "policy are excluded from the sphere of common action-witness Fashoda

To reassure myself, says a correspondent, had a conversation with a Russian statesman. who holds a high post in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, with the view of ascertaining his opinion on this matter. He said :-- ...

"No matter how favourable the present moment appeared for Russia to take allvan stage of England's difficulty to make a move [ in Asia, I must assure you that the moment has not yet arrived, and, indeed, will not soon arrive: Least of all would Russia rely upon France, hecause in doing so she would bind her hands for the future.

"Should Russia allow herself to take advantage of the South Africa affair to take aggressive action in Asia, she must not lose sight of her gold standard and her Financial Minister De Witte.

"When M. De Witte proposed his scheme for the introduction of a gold standard and the reform of the finances, he received from Czar Alexander III, a pledge that Russia would not make war except from necessity until the scheme was carried out, and Czar Nicholas has confirmed his father's pledge that the gold standard should not be abandoned.

"The slightest external development would bring the gold standard down with a crash, for Russia does not possess any funds for war preparations, and as soon as she used money from the Treasury for this purpose she would precipitate herself into bankruptcy.

"Undoubtedly Count Muravieff has touched upon the Transvaal question in his conversations with French Ministers, but only as regards the question of an understanding amongst the Powers in the case of England coming out

of the struggle as conqueror. "".What will then happen I am not at liberty

My informant left on me the impression that Count Muravieff-has no powers to treat of anything further than an intervention in favour of the Transvaal.

# HOW GENERAL SYMONS DIED.

LONDON, November 7th. Penn Symons got his mortal wound at the battle has not yet been told in the English press. It is an open secret in official circles. The

extreme vagueness of the accounts published plainly suggested that full information was being kept back, and it was finally secured to-day.

General Symons, who was in command of have improved upon those well-known lines of the British forces at Glencoe, was trying to, cattle, and said he was prepared to enter into a drive the Boers from the hill they had seized. Accompanied by his staff, he was watching the a very substantial re-compense for their assistaction from the shelter of a clump of trees—a

weep." The conduct of the official who board was suffering badly, General Symons ordered withdraw from the borders and go to assist ed the O. & O. S. S. Coplie at 7 o'clock yester- the Dublin Fusiliers and the King's Royal their comrades where the fighting was hottest, day morning, fully justifies the harsh opinion | Rifles to advance on the main position of the thus releasing for the war the 2,500 Boers now expressed by the bard. The Coptic had passed | Boers. The burgher marksmen met them with the doctor and got free pratique, when the a galling fire. The lines wavered. The officers harbour official whistled to, her to stop, and rallied the men and again they rushed forward then came alongside in his hunch. He then in face of a withering hail of bullets. But again the lines wavered. Three of their gallant leaders were shot. Once more the undaunted officers got their men to attack. On they went, was still moving with her own momentum. pressing sturdily forward. Here and there men dropped on the way, and once more the gallant

seemed impending.

position by storm, though with a terrible loss.

Captain Drevius, who is steadily it saiding his health, is now acid to be desirous of adorting the profession of a civil engineer. He strongly opposes any re-opening of the campaign on his behalf. The Mathin learns that it is more than likely that a general amnesty will.

Majesty's beinday:

Majesty's beinday: Captain Drevins, who is steadily reguling he declared in connection with the Dreyfus case. This would not restore the ex-Captain to his military rank, but would give him back his civil rights .-- Japan Herald.

### CALCUTTA MEN VOLUNTEER FOR THE TRANSVAAL.

CALCUTTA, November 15th. About a hundred Europeans, free discharged men from the Army, between the ages of twenty-five and forty, at present employed in Government and mercantile offices and shops, being desirous of volunteering for service in South Africa, have made a representation to that effect to Mr. T. J. Campbell, Detective on and late sergeant in the Royal Horse Artil-

mander-in-Chief on the matter. On We 6th instant Mr. Campbell submitted to the unmander-in-Chief the names of those

with a view to communication with the

offering services.

To this graph was received on the other offert in The Cor cannot in Chief grets that the patriotic offer to South. Accepted. The despatch of troops Government. This entirely with the Home accepted from any - 'volunteers have been

THE NEW DIVISIONOR. The composition of the S QUETH AFRICAfor service in South Africa has beury Division It consists of a total of 11,013 men, anthisped. to be ready to embark before the end of his month. -- Ad. of India.

# THE BASUTOS AND THE BOERS.

BRITISH INSTRUCTIONS TO THE BASUTOS.

BOER THREATS. STATEMENT BY THE BRITISH COMMISSIONER

Sir Godfrey Lagden telegraphed as follows

on the 19th Oct:--" In view of the possibility that the wire may be cut and communication with you temporarily stopped, I wish to state clearly that for some months since the possibility of hostilities engaged public attention, the Basuto chiefs have been following events keenly and desire to know if being loyal subjects of Her Majesty, I have informed them, in accordance with your Excellency's indication, that the present quarrel is one between white men, and that no natives are or will be employed.

"The orders given by me to the paramount chief and other chiefs since the beginning of hostilitles are that if Basutoland were to be invaded it must be defended but that otherwise they must dismiss from their minds any idea of crossing the border or being allowed to take part in the conflict. Instructions have been given to them to co-operate with the District Magistrates in maintaining order on the borders and checking any action on the part of individuals calculated to cause complications. Up to this moment the magistrates and the chiefs are co-operating well in carrying out these orders."

"But our efforts to carry out your Excellen-Masern and other stations. These threats, to- | their independence, for they are white men. gether with intriguing calculated to cause division among natives, have contributed to rouse feeling and promote excitement among the natives, which we have all along set ourselves the task of averting. We are continuing the policy of preserving calm, but as excitement has now been caused by the action of the Boers, it is necessary to instruct the paramount chief to call pilso of leading chiefs and explain to them the orders which he has received, which orders will be confirmed by me personally at the meet-

"What I wish to place on record now is that the Boers have unwisely attempted to shake the allegiance of the Basutos to Her Majesty's Government, and to frustrate our efforts to control and guide the natives on the above lines. The Boers are therefore responsible for any commotion and for the alarm as to native

invasions which now prevails Maseru. October 23rd.-A trustworthy native, who recently visited the Boer laager opposite Maseru, states that it consisted of waggons fortified with sods to a height of three feet. He noticed only a few Mauser rifles in the hands of the Boers. The commandant interrogated him us to the opinion and attitude of the various Basuto chiefs in relation to the war, and especially with regard to that of Lerothodic For the purpose of drawing the commandant, the native replied that the chiefs sided with the Boers. The commandant thereupon said that the desire of the Transvaal and Free State Republics was to kill off all the Britishers in Basutoland and to take over the government of the country, giving back to the Basutos a portion of the territory which they had taken from them. He added that those of The true story of how Sir General William | the British whom they failed to kill the Boers would drive into the sea, and he therefore of Glencoe is known at the war office here, but asked for the decision of Lerothodi and the other chiefs as soon as possible as to whether they would fight with the Boers or with the British, because he was anxious to help his comrades elsewhere. The commandant acknowledged that the Boers were afraid of the Basutos, on account of their wives, their families, and their signed agreement with the chiefs, giving them ance in fighting the British. Failing such an target such as the Boer sharp shooters delight undertaking he asked for a promise in writing that the chiefs would not assist the other side, As the action grew hot and the British force | so that the Boers might then be enabled to engaged in guarding Basutoland. The comcommandant then allowed the native to go to Ladybrand. - Advocate of India. . .

# "CAUSING A MUTINY."

The last General Orders of the Commanderin-Chief in India contain the report of a recent be aware of this simple law of natural philoso- fellows were so scriously checked that rout court-martial at Mandalay, at which two Puhjabi drivers of a Mountain Battery were arraign-Gen. Symons saw everything. He instantly ed on the serious-sounding charge of "causing a The Captain at once ordered the inflated ordered his staff to remain where they were, by mutiny." The charge was that when the body fury off the bridge, but he replied, characteristi- the clump of trees, and alone galloped out into of drivers were ordered one day by Sergeant cally enough, "I won't." Then the Captain the open towards his hard-pressed men, to lead Bellery to go and take the mules to water, the took him by the shoulders turned him round them only half a mile when he recled in his two prisoners addressed the assembled drivers, and showed him the gangway, at the same time saddle and fell wounded from his horse. Major | whom they had during the previous night calling to the third officer to eject the irate Stersion of his staff, calluned up and had just sworn in to follow their lead, in mutinous official. The ibird officer got hold of him and reached the body of his commander when he language, by telling them not to go to stables but all to go to the guard-room; in consefashlon, when the Captain relented and revoked ... General Symons, mortally wounded was quence of which language the drivers went in the command, whereupon the official realising borne from the battlefield. He received the a body to the guard-room; and would not go to perform their stable duties until the gunners company, walked down with a parting "God d had bince more rallied and carried the Boer of another section of the battery had been 9 pin Concert at St. Andrew's Hall in aid of fallen in to use force. The two men were sentenced to five years' imprisonment with hard labour. -Ad. of India.

# DREYFUS PLANE. MR. KRUGER ON BALLS.

Sir. In reply to your favour in the state President to consent to his nan being used as a patron of a bail to be given at Ichannesburg on the 26th install have been instructed to inform you that His Honour considers a ball as Baal's service, for which reason.

Service (South Carden Road:—Morning St. Anthony's Co. 1, 9 a.m.

West Point:—Mass, and as it is therefore contrary to His Honours principles, his Honour cannot consent to the misuse of his name in such connection-I have,

F. ELOFF, Pr. Secretary.

### CONSERVATIVES AND PRO-BOER MEMBER.

A good illustration of the feeling of the country at the present juncture is found in the somewhat sudden action of the Cardiff Conservative Association, which peremptorily called upon Mr. Maclean to resign his seat owing to his uncompromising opposition to the war. His constituents have-long temporized with him; but up to this point seemed reluctant to take the final step owing to the undoubted good work he has done in other directions, and his sordy independent but the wave of indignumbers and swampers ers precipitated matters,
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# HAVE IN THE

The American Navy L. the acord of a naval compathas received decided the question whether an eliquiphich on guard is neglecting his duty in makingman to a girl. Corporal Tom Scaller of the Marine Corps, was the accused man. Corporal Scanlon was marching his beat outside of an officer's residence at the League Island Navy Yard, near Philadelphia, when a servant maid in the officer's household joined him. An officer came upon the couple suddenly, much to the confusion of both, as Corporal Scanlon had his arm around the maid's waist. Charges of unsoldierly conduct and neglect of duty were preferred by the cofficer against Corporal Scanlon. A court-martial was ordered, much to the astonishment of Corporal Scanlon, who, being an Irishman and a soldier, could not understand why he was not privileged to make love to a pretty girl at all times. The Court returned a verdict of "Not guilty" on all charges and specifications. The Department evidently endorses this view, as Secretary Long has approved the verdict of the court-martial and ordered that Corporal Scanlon be restored

### HOW THE NATIVES VIEW IT.

The Amrita Bazar Patrika gives the following useful advice:—It is said that diamonds at Kimberley, worth a fabulous sum, are at the disposal of the Boers. If that be a fact, the cy's policy have been made difficult by bluster- best thing for them is to divide the gems ing on the part of Boers on the borders, who, among themselves, and lay down their arms. both before, and after the commencement of For they lose nothing by submission. It is hostilities, have freely threatened to attack | not likely that England will deprive them of

# SHIPPING REPORTS.

Captain J. Rogliano, of the steamship' 1 arra, from Shanghai, reports :- Fine weather, fresh N.E. breeze from Gutzlaff to Turnabout, light breeze from there to Hongkong.

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1874-Loss by fire of the ship Horatio at 1808.—Terrible explosion at Powder Magazine

at Hanchow, great loss of life and property.

TO-MORROW.

Sunday, 17th December, 1899. Chinese-15th of 11th moon of 25th year of Kwang-sil. Sun-Rises ..... 6hr. 34min. Sets ..... 5hr. 17min. Moon-Full Moon ohr. S a.m. High water-Morning ...... Johr. 21 min. Afternoon ..... 8hr. 34min. Low water-Morning ..... Ahr. Amin.

ANNIVERSARIES. 1838-Captain Elliot held a public meeting and asked the foreign merchants of Canton to assist him in stopping the opium traffic between Lintin and Whampoa: 1845-Gun cotton invented.

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1874-The P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer Japan burnt; r European passenger, the cook, and 389 Chinese drowned; \$350,000 treasure lost. 18ch-Explosion at a gunpowder factory at Canton; 20 lives lost.

TO-DAY. "Kowloon Institute" and "Star Coffee House."

Cargo, ex China subject to rent,

CHURCH SERVICES. ... St. John's Cathedral: Communion, 7 a.m., Matins, 11 a.m., Evensong, 5.45 p.m. Roman Catholio Cathedral :- Mass at 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m., and 9.30 a.m. Benediction.

Union Church: -- Services, it a.m. and 6 p.m. German Bethesda Chapel, West Point :--Morning Service, 11 a.m. 24 Francis' Church, Wanchai :- Mass (Chin.), -a.m., (Port.), 7.30 a.m. Benediction,

Wesleyan Methodist Chur Services, 10,30 amuand, 5.45 p.m. St. Poter's Scamen's Church :-- 11 and and 6. 30 p.m.

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Lodge of Instruction. TUESDAY, 19th. t p.m .- Victoria Recreation Club Regattar 4 p.m. - Election by ratepayers of two members . for the Sanitary Board.

Electric Lighting at Belchers

8 for 8.30-Regular meeting of the Jubileo

WEDNESDAY, 20th. Noon.-General meeting of the Hongkong Benevolent Society at the City Hall, p.m. - Victoria Recreation Club Regatta. C. P. R. steamer Empress of Japan leaves for

Victoria B.C. C. N. steamer Chingtu leaves for Sydney and Melbourne. N. P. R. steamer Saint Irene leaves for Victoria

B.C. and Tacoma. C. & O. steamer Strathgyle leaves for San Diego (about). 6 p.m. -- "E" Co. H.K.V.C. Company Drill at

Head-quarters. Cargo ex Glenlochy subject to rent. Cargo ex Giscla subject to rent. Cargo ex Prenisen subject to rent.

Cargo ex Bombay subject to rent. 9 p.m.-A.D.C. performance of "Mother-inlaw Tat the City Hail. -FRIDAY, 22nd. Shield Tie, Hongkong Engineers v. C. N. Co.'s steam.R.W.F.

and Sourabhansi leaves for Samarang Cargo ex Vindobona subis 9 p.in. Dance, given by the rent. neers and Ship Builders' kong Engithe City Hall.

SATURDAY, 23rd. Noon.—P. & O. steamer Caramandel, with

mails, leaves for England. N. P. R. steamer Monmouthshire leaves for Portland, Oregon. O. & O. steamer Dorig leaves for San Francisco. Football-Shield, Tie-" G ". Co. R.W.F. 2.

9 p.m.-A.D.C. performance of "Mother-inlaw " at City Hall.

# SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE. Australian (Chingtu) to-morrow. Indian (Lightning) 18th inst. Australian (Taiyuan) 18th inst. French (Caledonien) 19th inst. American (Nippon Maru) 23rd inst-Canadian (Empress of China) 25th inst. Austrilian (Eastern) 25th insti-Australian (Tsinan) 31st inst. American (Onsang) and prox. American (Coplic) toth prox.

The P. & O. Co.'s steamer Tsinlein left Bombay yesterday, for this port.

The steamship Nippen Maru, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 25th ulto., via Honolulu, has arrived at Yokohama, and will leave for this port to-morrow morning, via In-

land Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shangliai. HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK RETURNS. Tsla de Cuba..... at Isla de Luzon ...... Simla....., H.I.G.M.S. Herthan ... China..... Nanyang ...... Clara ..... Triumph ..... Powan .....

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WOOSENG, British steamer, 1,150, Glegg, 15th Dec.,-Shanghai t2th Dec., General.-Butterfield & Swire.

DORIC, American steamer, 2,691, Harry Smith R.N.R., 16th Dec., -San Francisco 17th Nov., Honolulu 24th, Yokohama 7th Dec., Kobe 8th, Nagasaki 10th, and Shanghai 13th, Mails and General.-O. & O. S. S.

HAIGHING, British steamer, 1,267, W. Davis, 16th Dec.,-Foochow 13th Dec., Amoy 14th, and Swatow 15th, General .- Douglas, Lapraik & Co.

SUISANG, British steamer, 1,776, E. J. Todd 16th Dec.,-Calcutta 22nd Nov., Penang 29th, and Singapore 3rd Dec., Opium and General.-Jardine, Matheson & Co. AMARA, British steamer, 1,705, C. J. Mattock, 16th Dec.,-Canton 15th Dec., General.-Jardine, Matheson & Co..

SZECHUEN, British steamer, 1,158, A. C. Hall, 16th Dec.,—Canton 15th Dec., General.— Butterfield & Swire. TAKAO MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,699, R. Hasegawa, 16th Dec., -Moji 12th Dec., Coal.-Mitsui Bussan Kaisha. FAUSANG, British steamer, 1,410, T. A. Mitchell

Jardine, Matheson & Co. HuE, French steamer, 704, P. Merices, 16th Dec.,—Haiphong and Hoihow 15th Dec., General.—A. R. Marty. YARRA, French steamer, 2,084, J. Rogliano, 16th Dec.,-Shanghai 14th Dec., Mails. and General.-Messageries Maritimes.

16th Dec. - Canton 16th Dec., General:-

Clearances at the Harbour Office. Hailoong, British str., for Swatow. Amara, British str., for Foochow. Tamsui Maru, Japanese str., for Swatow. . Hong Leong, British str., for Singapore. Fausang, British str., for Hongay. Vindobona, Austrian str., for Singapore. Swalow, German-str.,-for Hoihow. Specknen, British str., for Ningpo. Königsberg, German str., for Singapore. Mongkut, British str., for Swatow,

Wo Ping, Chinese steam-launch; for Wuchow. Saikong, British str., for Samshui. -Trilos, German str., for Saigon. Halmun, British str., for Amoy. Kwanglee; Chinese str., for Shangliai. Michael Jebsen, German str., for Haiphong, Kwai Lum, British steam-launch, for Macao.

Departures.

Dec. 16. Hoihao, French str., for Pakhoi. Dec. 16. Tritos, German str., for Saigon, Dec. 16, Haimun, British str., for Tamsui. Dec. 16, Gisela, Austrian str., for Yokohama. Dec. 16, Woosung, British str., for Canton Dec. 16, Kwanglee, Chinese str., for Shanghai. Dec. 16, Peiyang, German str., for Haiphong. Dec. 16, Chunsang, British str., for Chinking. Dec. 16, Vindobona, Austrian str., for Straits. Dec. 16, Szechuen, British str., for Ningpo.

Passengers-Arrived. Per Suisang, from Calcutta, &c.-Mesars.

Goodman and Wingate. Per Hagehing from Coast Ports-Messrs. Williams, Orange, Florenther Yap, Mr. and Mrs. Choy, Mr. Bang, and 3t Chinese. Per Doric, from San Francisco, &c.-Mrst Chester M. Knepper, Lieut, Comdr. A. B. Mrs. E. Green, Mr. Milo Hondley, Dr. Ottoly, Mrs. Perkins, Messrs. S. Hero. Ireland, I. G. Carpenter, Mr. and Mrs. M. Gearin, Miss Gearin Mrs. Doyle, Mr. A. J. Finlay, Misses A. Finlay (2), Dr. Caldwell, Messrs. W. A. Johnson, S. F. Button, D. Mar-Pariott, D. Thorpe, Capt. Wildschut, Mr. R. Millan, Mr. and Mrs. Rohrman, Col. and Mrs. Misses Shaw, Eckfeldt, Mr. Vickers,

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Departed. Per Hakata, Maru, for Singapore-Metars. R. L. Kænitz and A. Koch. For London Messrs. C. Grant and Martin Risk. For Midt seilles-Mr. and Mrs. Rodriguez and 2 children, and Rev. F. H. Sprent.

Per Esmeralda, for Manila-Mr. M. Pardo, Mrs. Chan Lee Shik and daughter, Mersrs. Willard, Litchfield, Miss Poolez, Mrs. and Miss Foote, Messrs. H. B. Taylor, D. F. Malonez, Mills, T. Taylor, Mrs. Gertzke, Mrs. Wertheimer, Miss Selling, Messrs, Bewick, B. F. Barge, W. Berol, Mr. and Mrs. Berol, Howland, J. F. Eberlein, Mrs. D. Joseph, A. Geftzke, A. Pisoner, Isaac A. Duncan, and 3 Chinese.

## STEAMERS EXPECTED.

Names.	From.	Due.
Chingte. Siam	Kobe	To-morrow
Taiyuan	Singapore Port Darwin'. Engapore	Dec. 18th Dec. 18th
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We would direct the attention of shipping firms to the style in which "Steamers Expected" and "Projected Sailings" are now published in these columns, and in so doing respectfully urge the managers of shipping firms to give orders to their clerks to furnish this office, on the forms already supplied gratis with the latest available information every day.

# PROJECTED SAILINGS.

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•	Abergeldie	Portland, &c	Jan. 27th
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•	America Maru	Havre, &c. San Francisco, &c.	Jan. 27th
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	Asama	New York	Dec. 27th
	Awa Maru Ravern	Marseilles, &c Straits, &c.	Mor 7th
	Belgian King	San Diego, &c	Ian, 20th
•	Breconshire	Victoria, B.C	Jan. 13th
		San Diego, &c	
	China	San Francisco, &c.	Dec. 21st
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	City of Dublin	Victoria, B.C.	Dec. 30th
	Coromandel	San Francisco, &c. Europe, &c	Dec. 22rd
	Diamante	Manila	Dec. 18th
	Diomed	London	Ian, oth
	Emp. China	San Francisco, &c. Vancouver, &c	Dec. 23rd
	Emp. India	11	Feb. 14th
	Emp. Japan	Thursday Is., &c	Dec. 20th
	Futami Maru	Thursday Is., &c	Dec. 29th
	Hailoong	San, Francisco, &c.	Dec. 17th-
	Holsatia	Swatow Havre, &c.	Feb. 10th
	Hongkong Maru	San Francisco, &c.	Feb. 22nd
	Kagashima Mara	Loudon Kobe & Yokohama	Dec 27st
		Straits, &c	
	König Albert	Straits, &c	April 4th
	Massilit	Shanghai	Dec. 23rd
	Nippon Maru	San Francisco, &c.	Ian. ard
	Oldenburg	Straits, &c	Feb. 21st
, 1	Patroclus	London	Dec. 26th
•	Prinz Heinrich	Straits, &c	Dec. 27th
	Sachsen	Straits, &c	Feb. 7th
	Saint Irene	Victoria, B.C.	Dec. 30th
	Shanshi	Havre, &c.	Dec 22nd
	Silesia	Samarang, &c Havre, &c.	Jan. 31st
	Socotra	London . A.	Dec. 28th
	Strathgyle	San Diego, &c Straits, &c	Dec. 30th
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	Taiyuan	Kobe	Dec. 20th
	Tamsui Maru (	Swatow, &c	Dec. 17th
	Thales	Liverpool	Dec toth
	Wittenberg	Havre, &c. Japan	Feb. 5th
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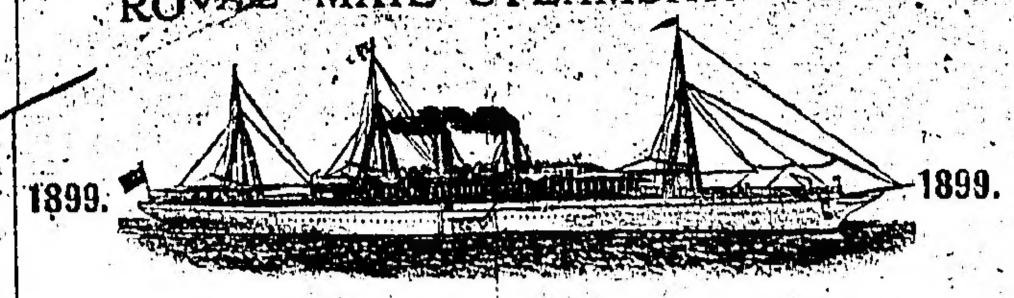
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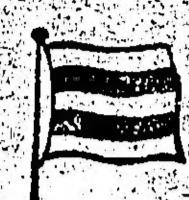
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WRITTEN FOR THE "HONGKON; TELEGRAPH."

The girl looked hungrily up in to the doctors face. Will it live, she seemed asking with every line of her quivering face." The doctor gazed at it casually. To h/m, as a doctor and a batchelor, one haby more or less did not seem a great matter. And farther he did not think her child should die.

So he answered in an off-hand way that of to know she s going to lose her baby. Not course it was not possible to say positively, but he didn't think it was Ikely to recover. The girl, whose very breathing waited for his answer, caught his sleeve as he turned to leave the room. . . "Oh you will lave its life, doctor. you must." . . her cyls had the want of a mother animal, fiegce and fearful, when some force threatens her yount. A passionate maternity filled her gaze.

He answered that he could not do any more for the child, nobody could do any more in the case, His sense of helplessness hurt the vanity of his sensitive nattre-he did not like owing to any one that a mater was beyond his

He stayed for a moment poking irresolutely down at the child-he was sorry for the girl, if she felt it so, but really he could do nothing in the matter. At last he said she might try giving if some brandy, with egg and milk. Then he said goodnight, bulshe made no reply. She was standing looking down upon the baby's face with a dumb, stricken look-pain as if she had been struck dumb.

For some time after the doctor's footsteps had died away, she remained standing gazing down At last his words at parting recurred to her

perhaps the brandy and things would door and called down stairs to somebody.

A large, florid woman came in-one of the women who are comfortable on another woman's misery.

baby. I should think you would be better without it but the doctor's a nice looking young chap, why don't you make up to him a bit, my dear, and not stay moping over your baby always,"

still fingering the blouse appraisingly. "I want you to take this round to Attenon your way back, would you mind getting some. Grant's self-importance very pleasantly. - brandy, and a couple of eggs at Turipsom's, them myself, and I want them as soon as ever

I can get them." "All right, my dear, of course Pli get them for you in no time " the prospect of a drink at | moustache on her upper lip, which gave her the "Stag" urged in her. "I won't keep you irregular face a shrewd decisive expression. any time you may be sure " then as she handled the blouse from the point of view of a woman "this must have been a pretty blousewhen you got it, but I brefer them cut-

"Oh, would you mind going now, I want the things so badly the doctor ordered them for respect as "a visitor out of England." the baby."

take her own time.

an aching memory. She had bought and worn | "event"in Heligoland eyes. Cassandra Hendthat blouse when she was a good and happy | ricks, the island belle, had hitherto thought | naturally much | quicker minded than the | in thinking that in a week or so, now, her regirl-oli, how long ago. But she banished this | nothing in the world could be more beau-

besides it began to stroke the fair hair, and caress the little still limbs. She Prayed, the elemental prayer of suffering to some power greater than itself, to some force that can stay circumstance, bid Fate stand still for a time.

anguished gaze fed itself on the sleeping child's | strand to the Oberland in her white dress, her bent over with a new fear to listen for the light | shade her eyes and look out over the sea some motions of his breath , i. , would the dim dissatisfaction with the conons of beauty brandy and things never come . . . surely as expressed in Heligoland had visited Cas-

She wanted to be doing something, to ex- | face with good, round eyes and a fresh, healthy change this impotent inaction for action how, | colour; her figure, too, was comely and straight, ever futile . .. . Her eyes hardly strayed even if it a little strangely suggested two from the child's face, as she watched for that | wineglasses, the lower one inverted; but when which she dared not think.

presence seemed to fill the room with effusive | are all weakday girls, the English Lady is smell of spirits.

"they only gave me abob on it" she said "So you see that didn't leave much over when I had bought all those things." The girl thanked her, and she left the room,

humming a fragment of song. The girl left the bed side for a minute, and brought the things over to the child's side.

She beat up the eggs in a tumbler with the milk and added the brandy. She gazed from time to time at the child as she did so, and once she grasped his hand in a suddenfear. his head in the flexure of her arm, and tried to

coax the food between his lips. He resisted at | sand, with-little-tufts of emerald green grass--first but her patience overcame him. So on through the dark reaches of the night she fed him. Fearful at first lest she did wrong

to wake him thus. At times her tired eyes closed, and she nodded, waking with a start.

Suddenly during the dark hour before the dawn that turns the glass of life, she woke and eat upright shivering . . . Had she been asleep long? She leant over the still form of the child, straining her ears to catch any sound of his breathing-but none came. She tore in herself, and it was somehow generally justice her child. No movement stirred the rigid frame . They are such a superstitious people; -the hand she pressed to her, bosom fell back | besides the wedding ornaments are peculiar. limply when she released it. She seized the I doubt if they have got them in' Sandra's child and strained him to her trying to conjure: family." back life to the motionless eyes, trying to revive to it, telling it all the foolishness and joy of her | she had left them to him.

love for it. ... gat with it in her arms, she told them not to borrow them from Wyk for her?" Miss disturb it's sleep, and they knew the child was Santley put the very least accent in the world

some one wanted to take away her baby. When ready to gratify us; the man is proud of his she could not coax food down it's throat, she queer old ornaments, and the girl is sure to would grieve for a while, and then fall to kissing enjoy being dressed up. Leave it to me to

it hungrily. put in it's coffin. Neighbours sent white these people have feelings; they are not entired in a Christmas number. In my mind's eye I flowers, and filled the room with the voice of ly playthings for you in the holidays." their luxurious griate

When she woke she asked fiercely for the

briskly towards the new grave. He was a busy yan, and the funeral was a poor one. an unmarried girl was likely to care much if As the coffin was borne away from her she gave a wild cry. Now at last she seemed

until now hack died in her consciousness.

She ran with ort, eager steps stumbling over graves, her is fixed on the coffin, with cheated of her darling young. Her look was fierce, and beseeching and took no heed of any thing but her loss.

She stood mute all through the service. When it was over friends led her away unre-

. (Published by Afrangement.)

# THE LOAN OF A HARTJEN.

THAUTONE TO [CUPTRIQUE.

Miss Santley was a clever, middle-agen woman.who by profession wrote and illustrated for a leading London weekly. Miss Florence Grant, her friend, was a young lady whose business in life was to amuse herself; in pur--auit of their respective objects they had come to summer in rich maland.

PART L

Miss Santley sketched diligently all daysave her child's life. She gazed round her I coast scenery, Frisian types, groups of visitors, I sarily lervent salutation, she configurances. The life of the street had not brought | brand new German officials. Miss Grant ran | hands in careless, friendly tashione shake her much lakury. A silk blouse hanging on about the island chattering to everybody, to Wyk was wont to respond; awkwardly enounz | English ladies and Franz Wyk were becalm d the door caught her eye. She crossed over the children, the dogs, the fisher-folk, the but something in the accustomed familiarity in De Af eve Wyk's favourite sailing Loat, eagerly and reached it down. She examined | waiters at the Conversation House, the outgo- always made his fingers tremble, and his cheeks | wond the Dune; a few strokes of the ours it critically and then as if satisfied, went to the Ling English, the incoming Germans, and when there was nobody else handy, she talked, or perhaps sang, to herself.

The good Heligolanders are full of affectionate curiosity about their summer visitors (it is . "Well, my dear, what do you want with me." I a characteristic of these northern people, and Then looking towards the bed. "How's the goes hand in hand with an absurd, childish bully, I heard the doctor come down. I can't | habit of boasting), and very soon they had inthink why you make such a fuss about this formed themselves that the two ladies came from London, and that the younger one's father was a Councillor to the Queen of England (in reality an M.P.), and that she habitually went to the Court when she was at home. For all that she had only brought three dresses The girl did not seem to heed her-she was to Heligoland, and no jewels. They had also discovered that she had no mother, and only one brother, out in India, and could play the violin you? You see I can't !cave the baby. And | more or less correct, which flattered Miss

About Miss Santley there was less to say, or and some milk, half a pint will do at the at all events there was less said, but then she Dairy Company's at the corner. You can get the I tied her brown straw hat tightly down over her brandy 'at "The Stag" as you pass. And lears with a blue veil-which had the advantage "going on eagerly you can have anything over 1 of keeping it on her head. Florence Grant's for a drink for yourself. But, please, bring the "sailor" was generally blowing about the cliffs things to me first, I can't leave the baby to get or the shore, with half the population after it. Miss Santley buttoned her hideous ulster about her in the most uncompromising fashion, and was not without a strong suspicion of black When the islanders had remarked on these peculiarities and had criticized her mighty boots, and trembled at her sketch book, they had done with her, as far as gossip went, though their expansive friendliness held her in high

Miss Grant, however, was an unending inwere in such a tremendous hurry!" She pas- with her, a red, a white and a blue, she managed sed hurriedly out of the room. But the girl's to vary them in a most bewildering and enremark had pigued her, and she determined to | chanting manner; her saile hats, her dogskin gloves, her Oxford shoes, her tweed patterned The woman's words about the blouse woke | mackintosh, each in their turn constituted an tiful than her own holiday suit of green, step further, she used to think, when as a mirried woman she should don the ligh lace cap, and a golden Hartjen instead of the maiden's silver one. But since she had seen The minutes slipped by unnoticed, while her I the English girl spring up the steps from the face. So still , , . once and again she slim figure poising like a bird, as she turned to the woman must have been gone an hour | sandra's mind. She, in common with many. Only her heart kept note of the time. I of her young fellow-islanders had a pleasant once she had looked full at Miss Grant, the At last the woman returned. Her large honest, humble creature said simply,

geniality. She brought with her an ample | for Sunday." It was to her cousin. Franz Wyk, that she said this, and the eager She placed her purchases on the table alacrity with which he agreed, gave poor Sandra a strange pang, but it did not lessen her generous admiration of the stranger. As Franz had been often to Hamburg, and to Bremerhaven, and as far as Memel, he must have seen many beautiful ladies, and be more hard to please than the lads who had never been away from the island; if only she had curly yellow hair, and grey eyes, and a little,

fine mouth that smiled like Miss Grant's! Miss Grant was smiling one afternoon as she stood by her artist friend's camp-stool and When her preparations were made she raised | watched her work. Miss Santley was finishing a sketch of Pompeian red rocks and silver fringing the water line, and her companion was talking about Cassandra Hendricks. "You must paint her as, a Heligoland bride" she

> "I asked her to sit for me the other day in the cap and all the proper ornaments, but she seemed shy of ity I think she imagines it would be unlucky-it is a pity, for not one of the other girls is nearly so presentable.

> "I'll get her to do it. I don't belives she would refuse me." Miss Grant had confidence

"Oh! I could get those too; Franz Wyk the still dimbs. She would not think the has them from his mother. I know, for he child was dead-his sleep was only a little spoke of them one day when we were out deeper than before, ... she could not think sailing. It is the bridegroom's gift to the he had died while she slept. .. she rocked | bride, and he said that his father had given his the baby form on her bosom, kissing it, cooing mother a very complete set of Anhangsel and

"Humph! for his wife, I suppose? Do you But when they came in the morning as she think that Cassandra Hendricks will like you upon the two pronouns. Florence Grant did She did not seem to know the meaning of the not appear to notice it. "Why not?" she asked. succeeding days. She kept reiterating that "Franz and Cassandra are cousins; both are

While sheslept one night they had the baby ! "Willingly-only have a care, Florence : Be easy," sald her friend, sauntering away. Metropolitan railway stations."

When she woke she asked hercely for the child, but seemed reconciled when she found it in the white livery of death.

They set out for the cemetery which was some way distant, and the fittle coffin bore her company in the carriage.

The respective agmirers of miss parties and to wonder the friends of the affection which existed between them. The friends of the latter did not hesitate to call the in springly. She was not in a good temper, former "a rucer old lump," while a sharp, her florence Grant's efforts to please tongued barri ter who knew both ladies, and common, sometimes; her friend was fond of claimed at the Post Office: took their burden and the clergyman strode an epigram, "as the highest note in the charan epigram, "as the highest note in the character of the one and the lowest in that of the prospered. Franz Wylchad brown and other." But fashion generally, in Heligoland in a heavy, wooden box and had be sevels as well as in London, is innuenced by personal had donned her best crimson and green and limit, E. G. attractions, and Florence Grant's were of a very had donned her best crimson and green and limit is annually mannually mannually states. these charms a very keen sensibility for other two hundred, years old, or her fingers touched ugly people that the world expects sympathy, satisfaction and childlike content would steal help, censideration; pretty ones have neither over her face, and her mind seem to sun itself

> sett and deep, that Franz Wyk, who was tinker- Austattung summoned up. ing at one of his boats (as a man will always tinker who loves his craft), did not hear Miss Grant's enters into the spirit of the thing," Una observfootsteps till she was close beside him; then the ed to Florence one day; "you would almost rattle of a peddle made him look up. He was a believe from the expression that she wears, tall, thick-set man of nearly thirty, looking thicker | that she was really a bride; there is a look of and sturdier for the coarse blue jersey and the lalf-wondering and yet dignified exaltation hoge sea boots which he wore, and also, about her-I had no idea that she possessed so perhaps, for the slender proportions of the gri | much imaginative power." The held out her hand to him. Wyk wasa and it and gentleman, not a common sailer, the satisfaction arising from certain fine featreat him essome whim of Miss Grant'sto thers, and a good deal of importance,?" special set in Loas if he were one of her own offered him her ham. The first time she had down and kissed it, a had solemnly bent laughingly explained that through she had commonest nature."

> "Herr Franz, I want you to do me a favour. " I, gracious Fraulein? You are joking ! You know I am your servant," stammered Wyk. "I know nothing of the kind," said Florence Grant, with her audacious little society manner. which had turned stronger heads than this Frisian sailor's. "I know you will take me out in your boat, if you have nothing better to do, and will teach me to fish because you think I bring you luck in the fishing, and you will sit for Miss Santley, because you like having your picture drawn; but this is something much more important, and I am not at all sure you will grant it !" and she shook her head as if in | moments whenever they liked to give the

borough's, and see what you can get on it, will -and ten thousand other facts respecting her, with desperate earnestness, his blue eyes, generally so placid and almost sleepy, ablaze lish, French and German periodicals in an with excitement. The girl's trumpery little omniverous, polyglas fashion of her own moods has power to move him more than even she might have been in her own South she, with her London experience, dreamt of possibly her London experience was after all with London material.

> to refuse my request politely when you hear [with his mouth open, and dreaming of Conwhat it is, so you had better not protest too | ger; -- so that to all intents and purposes much. My friend, Miss Santley, is very anx. Florence Grant and Frant-Wyk were alone, as ious to paint a picture of a Frisian bride, before she goes away. It will make her fortune at the "institute" or the New Gailery next year, when everyone will be curious about Heligoland. Those are great picture exhibitions in London, do you see?" " Yes, but—"

"Now I am coming to it. You spoke one | tedious. day of having all the ornaments for a complete Ausstattung which had belonged to your mother. Will you trust them to me for a week "Well. I'm just going. I did not know you I terest; though she had brought but three dresses | or so, the Hartjen, the carrings, the chains, and | clasped his arms behind his closely cropped all the Anhangsel, that my friend may paint a Heligoland bride with all her distinguishing details of costume? I can promise you that they shall be carefully handled, and by nobody knew that the intimacy had been of her own

too much, and a little 'nettled at his reluctance She returned to bed and falling on her knees | with its crimson petticoat, gold-braided, and | (which in spite of her pretended doubts she I dangling Hartjen; there could only be one | had never expected), began, "I beg your pardon if—" when something in his face startled her.

It was not reluctance of dissent, this strange eager expression which lighted up Wyk's square brown features; it was not any desire to excuse himself for witholding the permission she had asked. It was rather an incredulous, overmastering delight at some apparently bewildering prospect which made his eyes gleam and the muscles of his mouth work convulsively. Miss Grant was certain that she would have the jewels, but she could not think why the man should take the matter so oddly!

"They are yours, Fraulein, I will bring them myself to your hotel. You can' keep them-"We should only want them a few days. she interrupted quickly. She had been on the point of making a little joking speech about his wanting them for a bride of his own, but some instinct checked her-" the remainder of the dress we can manage quite well. There is nothing distinctive except the cap which I can easily contrive, but the ornaments are the point of the whole affair, and unless we had them exactly correct it would not be a Frisian bride at all. I don't know how to thank you, Herr Wyk," she concluded graciously.

"There is no need-I would do more for "Take care, perhaps I shall steal your family

"You cannot steal what is freely given."

"Oh, nonsense i you know I am only borrowing them; by the bye, you haven't asked who is to sit for the bride."

"Because I know by instinct." "Who is it, then?

"The most beautiful girl in the island!" "I don't myself think so much of 'Sandra's beauty" said Miss Grant to herself as she wandered away across the beach, "Ten years hence she will be as weatherbeaten and shapeless as the veriest old Meer Katze at the bathing place. She has only beaute de diable of a bright, healthy sort. But I suppose Franz Wyk will marry her-when-when he recovers himself! If he thought that I was going to sit to Una Santley in Frisian bridal cap and bolls he is mistaken, but I hadn't the heart to tell him so! He seemed to take the matter as a serious-compliment. How to find Sandra and the bow, and from bow to flower, flower to and get her consent; I fancy that Franz's Ausstattung will tempt her. "Hi, Frau Sack, have you seen Sandra Hendricks on the Unterland this afternoon?"

Meanwhile, Franz Wyk, pottering over his boat on the western strand, broke into snatches of song which were carried lustily along the beach, where Frau Sack was shaking out her damp towels and bathing costumes.

Red is the grass,
Red is the sand,
Bright is the sunshine In Heilgoland!"

"It is not lucky to sing like that of a Friday, Franz Wyk," muttered the old "Meer-Katze" to-herself-sententiously-----

It is all settled, Una I Wyk is delighted to assented. lend his jewels, and 'Sandra to wear them; you shall charm the British public with an original picture, which the "Panorama" will reproduce see your "Frisian Bride" hanging at all the showed her note-book.

as well as in London, is influenced by personal Miss Grant's Reeping. Cassandra Hend D. Blum, M. high order; and with such'a face, with such li- gold costume, and the lace cap with its flapquid, fathomless grey eyes, and curling black ping ears which is the insignia of wifehood, Bewick, Wirs. lashes, such tendrils of straying golden hair, such and duly a sat " in these and Wyk's ornaments. a sensitive, smiling, exquisite mouth, such de- in her stolid placid Frisian fushion; only, licate, dimpling checks, just touched by the when her eyes lit on the handsome golden Frisian sun-shine and the frolicsome sea breeze. Harrjen with all its solid appendages of fish with a dainty brown shade—surely with all and fishing tackle, curiously wrought, and some people's feelings is not necessary. It is from the long, clumsy earrings, a look of complete in some inward vision of future happiness, The white sand of the Heligoland beach is so | which the sight and touch of Franz Wyk's

Miss Santley found her an ideal model, "She

"Are you sure that you have not idealised but I am not quite sure whether that rape pression is the result of the highest art or the

One glorious summer evening when it would | Dalton, E. C. lave been a sin to sit indoors painting, the two was nhave brought them to shore, but "there they might to hurry for," Florence said, and else. The sea as well sit there as anywhere sky was all luminotice green oil; the western and the ir about the orange and crimson, though there was no a bresqued to quiver | Fonder, C. F. where. The breeze which had carried anyalong so briskly when they first startedhem suddenly dropped, ...

"A heavenly evening," the ladies said; "a Triereman, M. G. | storm brewing" inuttered Franz; but it mattered little for they were near home, and the Goetz, L. oars were ready. The master of the Morve and his lad Peter could land them, in a few Grunberg, J. word. Miss Santley had a snug seat among "Tell me what it is; try me," urged Wyk, shawls and cushions in the bows and was devouring the latest consignment of Eng-Kensington lodgings, or at a Paris Boulevard cald or in a German Reading-room for all the attention she payed her companions. Peter was "Don't get excited; you will probably want happy, too, after his fashion, asleep in the sun. much alone as the former was wont to be at a London ball, or in the back of a box at the I theatre, or on the box-seat of a drag at " Lords. For her the situation had no novelty, or special interest. "Will you not sing?" she asked then Lambe, W. P. the young man beside her.—he had not spoken for so long that the silence was getting a little

"What shall I sing?" "Sing Der Fescher,"

Wyk leant back against the mast, and brown head; he did not look at Florence. which was a relief to her—his long silent gaze was beginning to be wearisonic to her, but she seeking, and if she had now had nearly enough There was a moment's silence; Florence, of it, it was not Wyk's fault. She took comfort Frisian, concluding instantly that she had asked furn to England woul! conclude the affair, and a Christmas card, four months later would be all that was needed to put an elegant finish ing touch to the episode; meanwhile the young Heligolander sang like a thrush and while he sang he did not look a her, but far away out to sea as a sailor should? "Der Fescher, please," she repeated ;---fortunately had about a dozen verses. So westell alles auf der Welt

Wie's Wetter im April : Den einer Tag sink wir obenauf he voice died away softly and the singer's eyes came back to Miss Grant's face. (To be continued).

# AT A LECTURE

Over a sea of heads I gazed at the lecturer. Ostrich feathers, bows, flowers, and spikes igstled each other like sails, spars and masts in a crowded harbour. Just in front of me was a large hat elaborately trimmed with feathers. bows, and flowers. As my eyes wandered among its peaks and puffs, I saw a diminutive spider let himself down with legs flying from a bow of red ribbon, that shot up in the neighbourhood of two ostrich feathers, and having seemingly emphasized one of the lecturer's dates with a knot on the brim, hauled himself up again. Then, starting off again, he went from bow to feather, from feather to flower, from flower to spike, eagerly bridging over the spaces with a fine net-work as intricate and elaborate as the theory the lecturer was at the moment patiently evolving.

He paused, and there was that in his crouching attitude that prepared me a new flight, Suddenly, while I watched he darted out and salled aloft, striking a new line, as far as I could see—to nowhere. The lecturer's voice was dreamy and impassioned. It seemed to me that he had left his hearers behind. I followed my tiny friend to an electric-light globe, about a yard above his starting point, and watched him run in and out among the wrought-iron leaves. Then slowly, meditatively he let himself down, and landed on the back of a neighbouring chair. For a moment he seemed bewildered, dispirited. Then with a sudden renewal of energy he mounted by an invisible rope to the brim of the hat, thence to feather, feather to spike, went again apparently reviewing his work, revising his knots,

The lecturer was scattering dates broadcast, and the sen of heads, was as disturbed as the harbour in a squall. Soon he stopped, shut up his notebook, and walked modestly out of the room. Chaos reigned among the hats. They swayed,

they bobbed, they seethed towards the door. 'As the large hat got up there was a wrenching of little threads. Two broken ends waved vaguely and forlornly in the air. A hand went up to straighten the hat and pull down the veil working more destruction. "He was difficult to follow," said the wearer

of the hat as we went out. Yes,' I agreed, "that flight at the end was

"He seemed to lose himself a little," she

"And there were too many knots." " Nots ?" she queried. I corrected hastily. "Dates I mean." - 1911 "Oh, I've got those all right," she said, and

"Yes," I said, but I looked at her hat.

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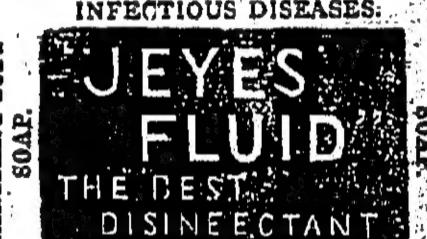
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S.S. REUSSEN, of the TRODEUTSCHER LLOYD.

above named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf, and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional. Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon, No Claims will be admitted after the Goods;

have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 21st instant, will be subject to rent. All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be

examined on THURSDAY, the 21st instant, and THURSDAY, the 28th instant, at 9.50 All Claims must reach us before the 28th instant, or they will not be recognized. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. MELCHERS & Co.,

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMERS. FROM MIDDLESBORO', ANTWERY: LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship

"GEENLOCIPORTS, Consignees having arrived from the aby informed that their of Cargo by her, standed at their risk into the Goods are, the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf Godowa Co., Ld., at Kowloon, where each ansignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional cargo will be acarried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before 4 P.M., TO-DAY. Goods not cleared by the 20th instant, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. All ship damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Co. within ten days of steamer's arrival, after which no claims will

be recognised. McGREGOR BROS. & GOW. Hongkong, 13th December, 1899. AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGA-

TION COMPANY. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

WEDNESDAY, the 20th December, at Noon, | FROM TRIESTE, FIUME, PORT SAID, The attention of Passengers is directed to ADEN, BOMBAY, COLOMBO, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

having arrived. Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed; at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, return by the Steamers of the EASTERN AND Limited, whence delivery may be obtained. This vessel brings Cargo;-

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Optional Cargo will be discharged here unless notice to the contrary be given immediately. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon on the 21st instant, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected; and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 21st instant, will be subject to rent. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER, WIELER & Co.,

Agents. Hongkong, 14th December, 1899.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed. This vessel brings on Cargo :--

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Goods not cleared by the zist instant, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage ob- Lee, Mr. J. E. tained from the Godown Company within ten days after the Vessel's arrival here, after which; no Claims will be recognised. H. A. RITCHIE,

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CHOWIA, British steamer, 1,055, J. Williamson, 12th Dec.,—Banglok and Dec., and Ang. Hin 5th, General Butterfield & Swire, GLARA, German Steamer, 675, A. Hansen, 30th Nov.—Hniphong 26th Nov., Rice. lebsen & Co.

14th Dec.,-Singspore 7th Dec., General, Butterfield & Svire. DEVAWORGSE, Britist steamer, 1,057, Richard Curtis, 15th Dec., Bangkok 6th Dec., and Ang Hin ith General. Yuen Fat

toth Nov., and Shanghai 30th, Mails and General - C. P.R. Co. RMANIA Germa steamer, 1,174, A. Möller, 11th Dec. - Bingkok 3rd Dec., Rice. Jebsen & Co. GLENLOCHY, British steamer, 2,997, James

and Singaporo 7th Dec., General. McGregor Ercs, and Gow. HAILOONO, British steamer, 783, A. J. Robson,

Kobe 31st, and Nagasaki 2nd Nov., General.-Melchers & Co. Hono Leono, British steamer, 1;450, A. Fripp, 15th Dec.,-Penang 6th Dec, and Singapore 8th Dec., General.-Joo Tak Sing.

General.-P. & O. S. N. Co. KONG BENG, British steamer, 862, F. W. Rice and General.—Butterfield & Swire: Könio Albert, German steamer, 10,600, O. Mails and General.—Melchers & Co. Königsberg, German steamer, 3,135, E.

General.—Carlowitz & Co. MENMUIR. British steamer, 1,980, S. J. George, 6th Dec. - Sourabaya and Cheribon 25th Nov., Sugar. - Jardine, Matheson & Co. MONOKUT, British, steamer, 859, N. G. Majer, 12th Dec. - Bangkok 1st Dec., and Swatow 11th, General. - Butterfield & Swire. NANYANG, German steamer, 983, Th. Lehmann,

PHRA NANG, British steamer, 1,021, A. S. Calder, 14th Dec. Bangkok 5th Dec. and Ang Hin 7th, Rice and General-Yuen Fat Hong. PROGRESS, German steamer, 687, P. Brandt, 15th Dec. Touron 12th Dec. Rice --Siemssen & Co.

Hin 2nd Dec. Rice -Sunder, Wieler & ROHILLA; British stenmer, 3,501, S. de B. 14th Nov., General .- P. & O. S. N. Co. SABINE RICKMERS, British steamer, 600, 1. R. Nasbet, R.N.R., r5th Dec.,-Foochow and

Amoy 13th Dec., General - Amhold, Kar-STATIGYD, British steamer, 3,284, Cumming, 15th Dec -- New York 6th Oct. Kerosine. -Butterfield & Swire. SUNGKIANG, British steamer, 1,021, S. W. Moore, 14th Dec. Manila 1 th Dec.

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SWATOW, German steamer, 631, Jespersen, 15th Dec. Huiphong and Holbow 14th Dec, Rice .- A. R. Marty, TAMSUI MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,037, K. Sobajima, 13th Dec. - Amoy and Swatow 12th Dec Goneral Mitsui Bussan Kaisha,

TRIUMPH, German steamer, 675; A. Ricke, 6th Dec .- Haiphong and Holhow 5th Dec., General, - Jebsen & Co. Wongkor, British steamer, 1,115, B. Brooke Pigot, 14th Dec. -- Bangkok and Ang Hin

Sailing Vessels. ADOLPH OBRIG, American bark, 1,302, Arms. bury, 17th Oct.,-New York 5th May, Case Oil.-Standard Oil Co. OHN McDONALD, American ship, 2, 128, Stem,

MARY L. Cushing, American bark, 1,540, Pendleton, 1st Oct,-New York 10th May, Case Oil.-Order. REUCE, American ship, 1,828, D. Whitmore, ard Oct. - New York 30th May, Case Oil

22nd Aug., Ballast.—Order. STATE OF MAINE, American ship, 1,500, Colcord, 9th Oct,-New York 20th May, Kerosine Oil.—Standard Oil Co. VALE OF DOON, British bark; 669, J. Peterson;

Sept. - Takow 15th Sept. Ballast - Mr. F. WM. H. CONNER, American ship, 1,424, J. T. Ersking, 14th Oct -- New York-7th -May, and Rio Janeiro Lith July, Kerosino.

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